

January 18, 1964

The Honorable  
Honorable Jin Lee Rankin  
General Counsel  
The President's Commission  
200 Maryland Avenue, N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rankin:

This is to advise you that Attorney Joe H. Tonahill, one of Jack Ruby's attorneys, telephonically contacted Mr. J. Gordon Shanklin, the Special Agent in Charge of our Dallas, Texas, Office and advised that he was making available Jack Ruby for all types of scientific tests, including a polygraph examination and administering of truth serum and that he desired this be handled today.

Mr. Shanklin advised Mr. Tonahill that as he was undoubtedly aware the FBI was not handling the murder case involving Jack Ruby, that this was a state case.

Mr. Tonahill immediately stated that he was advising the FBI so the FBI would make this information available to The President's Commission as he desired The President's Commission to be aware of the fact that he was making Ruby available for such scientific tests.

Mr. Shanklin advised Mr. Tonahill that it might be well for him to personally advise The President's Commission of his desire to make Mr. Ruby available for scientific tests.

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- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
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NOTE: Information set forth received from SAC Shanklin, 11:10 am and furnished to Mr. Howard P. Willens of The President's Commission at 11:18 am.

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**Mr. J. Lee Rankin**

Upon receipt of this information Mr. Howard P. Willens of your office was furnished this information by telephone for whatever action The President's Commission might desire and the fact that a telephone call might be received from Mr. Tonahill concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover